(c) During the current year, a provision of Rs. 1650/- crores have been provided as subsidy on imported urea. Till Janji-ary'96, a quantity of 32.63 lakh metric tonnes of urea have been imported. Other fertilizer namely Di-ammonium Phosphate (DAP) and Muriate of Potash (MOP) are decontrolled and decanalized and are being freely imported.

**Frequent Changes in the Post of Managing Director of NAFED**

453. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that four managing directors of NAFED have been changed during the last 29 months;

(b) if so, the reasons for these frequent changes;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a number of representations have been made against the present Chairman of NAFED alleging favouritism, nepotism etc.; and

(d) whether Government have enquired into all these allegations; and if so, the results of such enquiry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHD, AYUB KHAN): (a) Yes,Sir.

(b) The reasons for the changes are as under:—

(i) Shri S.K. Naik who was on deputation left NAFED on personal grounds.

(ii) Shri V.B Mahajan, who had been appointed Managing Director of NAFED on an adhoc basis pending selection of a regular Managing Director, left NAFED seeking voluntary retirement four months ahead of his superannuation, on selection of Shri Mahendra Singh as regular Managing Director.

(iii) Shri Mahendra Singh, regular Managing Director of NAFED had undergone three heart operations during 1993-94 and left NAFED on his own seeking voluntary retirement.

(iv) Smt. Sarita J. Das held additional charge of the post of Managing Director, NAFED in addition to her regular duties as Joint Secretary in the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation pending selection of a regular Managing Director. Smt. Das was relieved of the additional charge of NAFED following the appointment of Shri B.L. Bhadu as regular Managing Director in NAFED.

(c) and (d) This Department had received a representation from Dr. S.P. Seth, former Additional Managing Director in NAFED levelling allegations against Chairman, NAFED. NAFED placed the matter before their Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of NAFED considered the matter and resolved that the allegations made against the Chairman of NAFED were baseless, unwarranted, unjustified and malicious.

**स्वयंसेवी संगठनों द्वारा की गई वित्तीय अनियमितताएं**

454. **श्री रामदेव भंडारी** : क्या ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्री 30 नवम्बर, 1995 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न स0 520 के दिये: गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या तीन सदस्यीय जांच समिति के एक सदस्य ने संबंधित स्वयं सेवी संगठन पर कई लाख रुपयों का गबन करने का आरोप लगाया है तथा उक्त संस्था के विरूद्ध पुलिस में प्रथम इत्तिला रिपोर्ट दर्ज कराने की भी अनुशंस की है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है और इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है,

(ग) क्या "कपार्ट" द्वारा उक्त संस्था के नाम को काली सूची में दर्ज कर लिया गया है और प्रथम इत्तिला रिपोर्ट दर्ज करा दी गई है, और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

**ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्रालय (ग्रामीण विकास विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्री उत्तमभाई एच. पटेल) :** (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न उठता

(ग) और (घ) जी नहीं, लेकिन कापार्ट ने इस संगठन को आगे से वित्त पोषण करना बन्द कर दिया है।

**Old Age Pension Scheme in the Country**

455. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH-

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of senior citizens (men and women separately) of the age of 65 years and above (state-wise) in the country;

(b) the number of them, granted pension under the old age pension scheme and the total amount paid so far (State-wise);

(c) the amount and criteria fixed for the grant of pension to such persons, the details of the scheme and guidelines issued by Government to State Governments in this regard;

(d) the steps taken by Government to ensure that old persons do not have to run from pillar to post to get the old age pension sanctioned; and

(e) the steps taken by Government to monitor the implementation of the Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) According to Registrar General of India, age data as per 1991 census is under processing. However, a Statement indicating the population of persons aged 65 years and above (men and women separately) as per 1981 Census is attached as Statement-I *(See* below).

(b) A Statement indicating the required informations is attached as Statement II *(See* below)

(c) A Statement indicating the required information is attached as Statement III *(See* below)

(d) and (c) Specified formats for furnishing monthly, quarterly and Annual progress reports have already been circulated to the district level implementing Authorities. Necessary formats for compilation of the district level data have also been devised.

**Statement I**

| S.No. | Name of State/UT | Population of persons aged 65 yrs. & above according to 1981 census | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | Male | Female |
| 1. | Andhra Prades | 9,45,400 | 9,89,222 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 8,745 | 7713 |
| 3. | Assam | — | — |
| 4. | Bihar | 13,26,167 | 12,60,409 |
| 5. | Goa, Daman & Diu | 18,749 | 24,953 |
| 6. | Gujarat | 5,59,412 | 6,26,775 |
| 7. | Haryana | 2,79,183 | 2,00,020 |